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#### PART IV-A

**Rules and Orders (Other than those published in Parts I, I-A, and I-L) made  
by the Government of Gujarat under the Central Acts**

#### LEGAL DEPARTMENT

#### NOTIFICATION

Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar, 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2021

#### THE COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY ACT, 1952.

**No. GK/26/2021/COI/102021/104/A: WHEREAS**, in the year 2017-18, NAFED has purchased groundnuts from farmers through various State Level Agencies as per Union Government Scheme for purchasing agricultural produce at Minimum Support Price (MSP/Teka Na Bhav) and kept the same in various godowns;

**AND WHEREAS** amongst those godowns, four godowns that is, (1) Sanghvi Industries Godown at Kidana, Ta-Gandhidham, Dist. Kutch, (2) Ram Rajya Kotex Pvt. Ltd., Gondal, Ta-Gondal, Dist. Rajkot, (3) Central Warehouse Corporation, Hapa, Dist. Jamnagar, (4) National Cotton Industries Godown, Shapar-Veraval, Ta-Kotada-Sangani Dist. Rajkot, caught fire;

**AND WHEREAS** in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 (60 of 1952), the Government of Gujarat had appointed a Commissions of Inquiry consisting of Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.K. Rathod, Former Judge of the High Court of Gujarat, to inquire into and report on and in respect of the aforesaid matter, vide notification No. GK/30/2018/COI/102018/121/A dated 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2018;

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission was required to submit its report within a period of six months from its first sitting;

**AND WHEREAS** the first sitting of the Commission headed by Shri H.K. Rathod, Former Judge of the High Court of Gujarat took place on 1.2.2021;

**AND WHEREAS** the Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.K. Rathod, Former Judge of the High Court of Gujarat passed away on 26.4.2021;

**THEREFORE**, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 (60 of 1952), the Government of Gujarat appointed the Hon'ble Mr. Justice M.D.Shah, Former Judge of the High Court of Gujarat to inquire into and report on and in respect of the aforesaid matter under notification dated 9.9.2021.

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission was required to submit its report to the State Government on or before 1.8.2021 i.e. within six months from its first sitting held on 1.2.2021;

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission could not complete its inquiry into the matter and submit its report within the prescribed time limit i.e. before 1.8.2021;

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission vide its letter dated 17.9.2021 has requested the State Government to extend the term of the Commission by six months;

**AND WHEREAS** the State Government has considered the proposal of the Commission and that the State Government is of the view that it is necessary to extend the term of the Commission by six months so that the Commission can complete its inquiry into the matter of definite public importance and submit the report to the State Government;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 (60 of 1952), the Government of Gujarat hereby extends the term of the Commission till 28th February, 2022 and that the said term of the Commission shall be deemed to have been extended with effect from 1.8.2021.

By order and in the name of Governor of Gujarat,

**S. M. CHAUDHARI,**

Under Secretary to Government

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